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1. A special infantry brigade was formed in Karmik in late September or early October 1949. In forming the brigade, the specification was made that no reservists would be included in its ranks. Shortly after its formation, the brigade was sent to Telerin near the Yugoslav-Hungarian border, allegedly because the Soviets had massed troops on the Yugoslav-Hungarian and Yugoslav-Rumanian borders.
2. Since mid-November 1949 there have been no troop movements in the Fourth Army area. Troops in the area who had completed their tour of duty were demobilized on 3 December 1949. At the same time, most men in the 1929 age group were called to duty. Reservists who had been called for two months of active duty were released and placed on inactive status.
3. In late November 1949 a unit of 24 armed men was observed in the vicinity of Murska Sobota, in the triangle formed by the Austro-Yugoslav-Hungarian borders. The unit seemingly entered Yugoslavia from Austria. Militia from Murska Sobota engaged the men in a skirmish in which six militiamen were killed. The number of invaders killed or wounded was not ascertained.

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